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## Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

Examiner

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## **DETAILED ACTION**

## Election/Restriction

- 1. Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:
  - I. Claims 3-5 and 37, drawn to the DNA sequence of SEQ ID NO: 5, the DNA sequence encoding SEQ ID NO: 6 and a host cell comprising said DNA sequence, classified in class 435, subclass 189.
  - II. Claims 38 and 39, drawn to the DNA sequence of SEQ ID NO: 7 and the DNA sequence encoding SEQ ID NO: 8, classified in class 435, subclass 189.
- 2. The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

  Each of Groups I and II is directed to a separate and distinct invention. Group I is directed to the

  DNA sequence of SEQ ID NO: 5 and a host cell comprising said DNA sequence and Group II is

  directed toward the DNA sequence of SEQ ID NO: 7 and the DNA sequence encoding SEQ ID

  NO: 8.
- 3. The products of Group I and II would be expected to have distinct morphological, functional, chemical and physical properties as indicated by their divergent classification, process of making and process of using. These products are capable of separate manufacture, use, or sale as claimed, and are patentably distinct.

Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and the search required

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for Group I is not required for Group II, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is

proper.

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an 4.

election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37

CFR 1.143).

Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the 5.

inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b) if one or more of the currently

named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the application. Any

amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.48(b) and by the

fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(i).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner 6.

should be directed to Peter Tung, Ph.D. whose telephone number is (703) 308-9436. The

examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 9:00 to 5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor,

Ponnathapu Achutamurthy, Ph.D., can be reached on (703) 308-3804. The fax phone number for

the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 308-0294.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding

should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

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